

Śrī Caitanya-caritāmṛta: Madhya-līlā

CHAPTER 21: THE OPULENCE AND SWEETNESS OF LORD ŚRĪ KṚṢṆA



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jaya jaya śrī-caitanya jaya nityānanda
jayādvaita-candra jaya gaura-bhakta-vṛnda

All glories to Lord Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu!
All glories to Lord Nityānanda!
All glories to Advaitacandra!
And all glories to all the devotees of the Lord!

The Opulence and Sweetness of Lord Śrī Kṛṣṇa

(CC Madhya-līlā : Chapter 21)

A. Līlā

(i) Inconceivable

TEXT 9

*ko vetti bhūman bhagavan parātman
yogeśvarotīr bhavatas tri-lokyām
kva vā katham vā kati vā kadeti
vistārayan krīḍasi yoga-māyām*

“O supreme great one! O Supreme Personality of Godhead! O Supersoul, master of all mystic power! Your pastimes are taking place continuously in these worlds, but who can estimate where, how and when You are employing Your spiritual energy and performing Your pastimes? No one can understand the mystery of these activities.’

(ii) Purifying

TEXT 18

*e-mata anyatra nāhi śuniye adbhuta
yāhāra śravaṇe citta haya avadhūta*

“We do not hear of such wonderful things anywhere else. Simply by one’s hearing of those incidents, one’s consciousness is agitated and cleansed.

PURPORT: TEXT 18

- ✓ Brahmā vimohana lila – Kṛṣṇa created spiritual planets & spiritual energy
- ✓ Avadhūta: rambling, agitating, moving, absorbed



(iii) Unlimited

PURPORT: TEXT 20: No. of cowherd boys:

10 = daśa	10 X lakṣa = niyuta	10 X nikharva = śaṅkha
100 = śata	10 X niyuta = koṭi.	10 X śaṅkha = padma
1000 = sahasra	10 X koṭi = arbuda	10 X padma = sāgara
10,000 = ayuta	10 X arbuda = vṛnda.	10 X sāgara = antya
1,00,000 = lakṣa	10 X vṛnda = kharva.	10 X antya = madhya
	10 X kharva = nikharva	10 X madhya = parārdha

TEXT 26

*ei ye tomāra ananta vaibhavāmṛta-sindhu
mora vāñ-mano-gamya nahe eka bindu*

“My Lord, Your opulence is like an unlimited ocean of nectar, and it is verbally and mentally impossible for me to realize even a drop of that ocean.

TEXT 27

*jānanta eva jānantu
kiṁ bahūktyā na me prabho
manaso vapuṣo vāco
vaibhavaṁ tava gocaraḥ*

“There are people who say, “I know everything about Kṛṣṇa.” Let them think that way. As far as I am concerned, I do not wish to speak very much about this matter. O my Lord, let me say this much. As far as Your opulences are concerned, they are all beyond the reach of my mind, body and words.’

TEXT 100

*yan martya-līlāpayikaṁ sva-yoga-
māyā-balaṁ darśayatā grhītaṁ
vismāpanaṁ svasya ca saubhagardheḥ
paraṁ padaṁ bhūṣaṇa-bhūṣaṇāṅgaṁ*

“To exhibit the strength of His own spiritual potency, Lord Kṛṣṇa manifested a form just suitable for His pastimes in the material world. This form was wonderful even for Him and was the supreme abode of the wealth of good fortune. Its limbs were so beautiful that they increased the beauty of the ornaments worn on different parts of His body.’

B. Dhāma

TEXT 45

*karuṇā-nikuramba-komale
madhuraiśvarya-viśeṣa-śālīni
jayati vraja-rāja-nandane
na hi cintā-kaṇikābh Yudeti naḥ*

“Vṛndāvana-dhāma is very soft due to the mercy of the Supreme Lord, and it is especially opulent due to conjugal love. The transcendental glories of the son of Mahārāja Nanda are exhibited here. Under the circumstances, not the least anxiety is awakened within us.”

(i) Which “Brahma” pastime

TEXT 69

*dekhi’ caturmukha brahmā phāṇpara ha-ilā
hasti-gaṇa-madhye yena śaśaka rahilā*

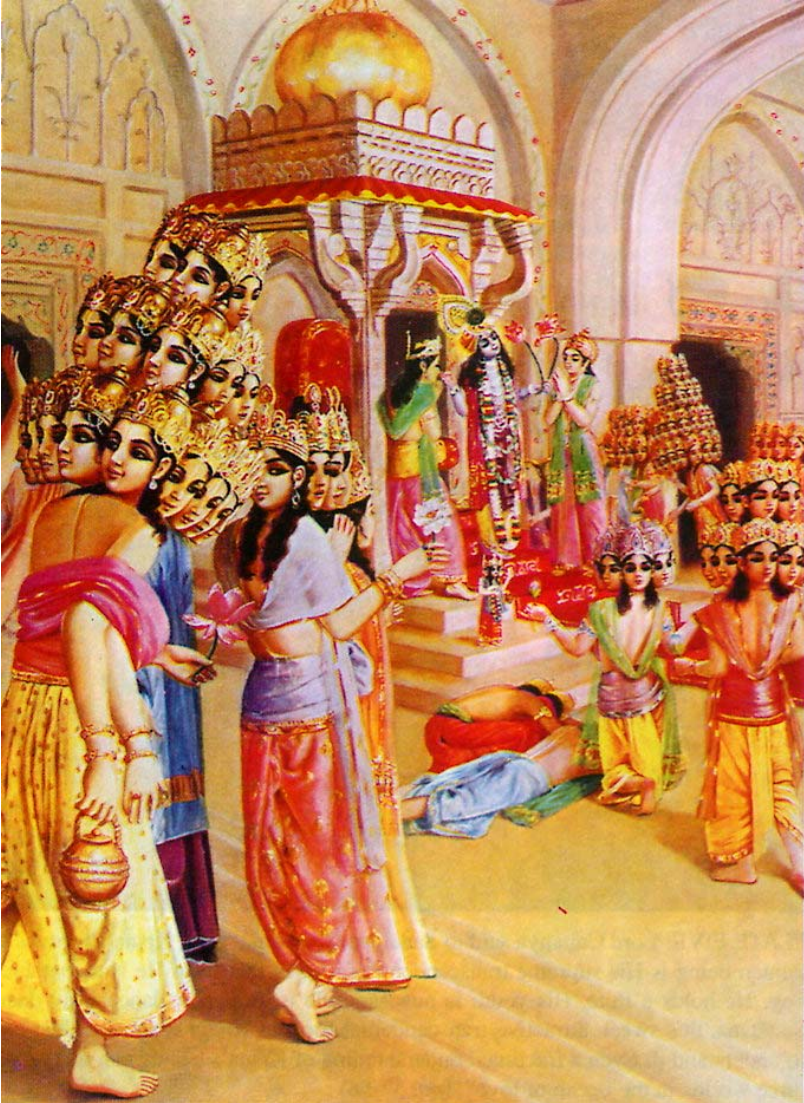
“When the four-headed Brahmā of this universe saw all these opulences of Kṛṣṇa, he became very much bewildered and considered himself a rabbit among many elephants.

- ❖ Potency of Dvārakā: All Brahmas and Sivas assembled could not see each other.
- ❖ Bhakti Siddhanta Saraswati Thakur:
Circumference = 18, 712, 069, 200, 000, 000 X 8 miles.
(PURPORT: TEXT 84)
- ❖ Other universes: 1 billion yojanas, 1 trillion, 100 trillion.

TEXT 98

*kṛṣṇera aiśvarya—apāra amṛtera sindhu
avagāhite nāri, tāra chuilaṅ eka bindu*

“The unlimited potencies of Kṛṣṇa are just like an ocean of nectar. Since one cannot bathe within that ocean, I have only touched a drop of it.”



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